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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), filed April 28, 2011, to accept the delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This patent expired on July 18, 2010, for failure to pay the three and one-half year maintenance fee. Since this petition was submitted within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

In reference to Petitioner's request to refund the petition fee, the Office record shows the credit card payment submitted with the petition dated December 21, 2010, was declined, the transaction could not be processed, and the maintenance fee and surcharge could not be collected. The \$400 petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(f) is required as a condition for reconsideration of the decision for refusal of acceptance of the delayed payment of the maintenance fee. In this regard, the petition fee will not be refunded. Please see MPEP 2590.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-6735.

The patent file is being forwarded to Files Repository.

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